

Dry Erase Wallcovering Wall Preparation



General

- PBS Supply warranties PBS Supply's Dry Erase Wallcovering adhesion to the existing primer or paint and does not warranty the adhesion of the paint to its substrate. Wall preparation and priming are not part of our contracts.
- Underlying problems may arise when the adhesive is applied to the walls such as previous paint not adhering to substrate. This is the responsibility of others to determine that the existing wall surfaces are sound.
- PBS Supply uses a clay base heavy duty vinyl wallcovering adhesive for the installation of Dry Erase Wallcovering.
- PBS Supply will lightly sand wall prior to install to remove minor paint imperfections. Full sand down of heavy roller texture is not included.

New Drywall

- Finish drywall to a minimum of level 4 drywall finish. Level 5 drywall finish preferred.
- Prime with a high quality primer/sealer that is wall covering adhesive compatible. Use ½" nap roller cover to keep roller texture to a minimum. Heavy roller texture will telegraph thru the Dry Erase Wallcovering. Contact paint manufacturer for primer recommendations. A few primers that we recommend are:

Zinsser Shieldz® Universal Wallcovering Primer
Sherwin Williams B51 Series Multi-Purpose Zero VOC Latex Primer Sealer
Glidden Gripper® Primer & Sealer

Previously Painted Drywall

- Examine wall surface to verify drywall finish is a minimum of level 4. Hollow nail heads, unfilled drywall seams, un-sanded joint compound, heavy roller texture and all minor wall damage/dents/dings will telegraph thru the Dry Erase Wallcovering surface.
- For minor wall repair - sand surface, apply spackle, sand smooth and spot prime with primer/sealer (see above for priming recommendations).
- If the entire wall needs to be skimmed - sand, skim wall using all-purpose joint compound (do not use topping compound), sand and prime with primer/sealer (see above for priming recommendations).
- Heavy wall texture can be sanded down with 120 grit sandpaper with no primer as long as there are no areas where the paint has been sanded through to the drywall or joint compounds. If paint is sanded through - prime with primer/sealer (see above for primer recommendations).

Metal Surfaces

- Prime with high quality primer for metal surfaces. Follow all manufacturers' recommendations for metal surface preparation.

Previously Painted Metal Surfaces

- Inspect to ensure previous surface is sound. Repair unsound finishes. Prime with an adhesion promoting primer such as Sherwin Williams B66A50 DTM Bonding Primer.

Concrete

- Test for moisture transfer. If moisture is penetrating the concrete wall PBS Supply does not recommend using Dry Erase Wallcovering on this surface unless moisture issue is solved.
- Prepare concrete wall to bring to smooth surface. Do not use joint compounds for repair. Contact masonry supplier for recommended repair materials.
- Prime with a high quality concrete primer followed by a primer/sealer (see above for primer recommendations).

Wood

- Wood to be high density fiberboard. Plywood, paneling or dimensional lumber not recommended.
- Fill all imperfections with wood filler. Do not use joint compound
- Sand and prime with a high quality primer/sealer.